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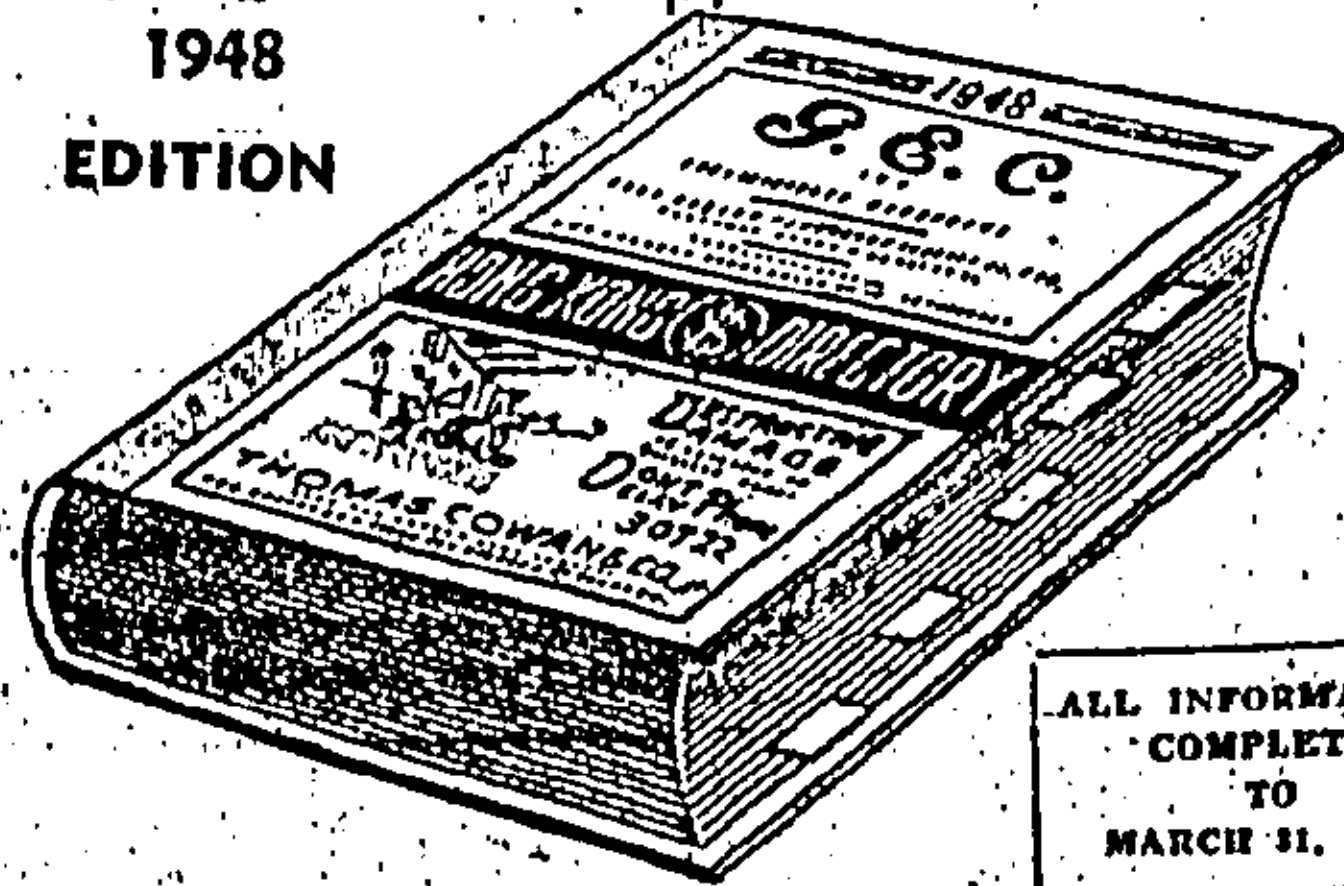
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"BOARDING HOUSE"

## Owners Reaping Profits

By A Staff Reporter

Proprietors of many so-called hotels or boarding houses in Hong Kong are reaping handsome profits by allowing their premises to be used as houses of ill-fame. In any of these hotels or boarding houses, upon payment of a sum of money, it is possible to obtain a young girl for immoral purposes.

In some cases, a number of girls live on the premises in order that they might be immediately available for any guest. In other cases, the girls are sent for from a nearby brothel.

It is the usual practice for the girls to be paraded before the guest, who is at liberty to pick and choose in much the same manner as if he were selecting some article in a shop.

The arrangement for the procuring of these girls is made with the room boy; this procedure will permit the licensee of the hotel or boarding house, if charged in the Police Court, to plead that he knew nothing about the matter.

Each girl who is engaged by a guest is called upon to pay to the hotel, through the room boy, 40 to 50 per cent of the amount which she receives from her customer.

**Do Not Stay Long**  
 In the majority of cases, the guests who call for girls seldom stay for more than two hours. Hence, the hotel is in a position to let the room to other guests during the course of a night.

Although the guest only occupies the room for a short period of time, he is nevertheless called upon to pay, in addition to the amount already paid the girl, the same room charges as he would have had to pay for a 24-hour stay.

The large profits which are to be made by the letting of rooms to guests of the type referred to have caused the hotels or boarding houses in question to refuse accommodation to bona fide guests on the plea that all rooms have been booked. To avert any suspicion, it is usual for a fictitious name to be placed on the doors of rooms which are reserved for immoral purposes.

The extra room charge earned by these hotels or boarding houses through the letting of a room for purposes of prostitution two or three times a night are not entered in the usual books of account. Only a fictitious entry appears and as a result, Government is also defrauded of income tax.

Hotels or boarding houses which are dedicated to this sordid business of traffic in human flesh are never troubled by the Police Vice Squad, which appears to be more concerned with the arresting of certain street walkers for "obstruction."

## INQUIRY BEGUN

Berlin, May 1. Lieut. Gen. Luchins Clay said tonight he has begun an immediate inquiry into Russian charges of kidnapping, such as the alleged Bremen incident, in which a Soviet lieutenant-colonel disappeared.

Clay told the United Press, "No Americans kidnapped that officer or any other Russian. If a Russian officer was kidnapped it was by someone other than the Americans."—United Press.

## FRENCH HOLD ON EAST INDO-CHINA STEADILY BECOMING WEAK

Saigon, May 2.

French military operations in Eastern Indo-China face a steadily deteriorating position, in the opinion of neutral observers here, from which only a political settlement with the Annamites can save them.

With the troops they have, one informed source explains, the French cannot force a successful conclusion to their fight with the guerillas on the field of battle.

They can only hold major cities and towns, keep open lines of communications, garrison certain plantation areas and occasionally stage a small-scale offensive to interrupt the smuggling of arms and keep the guerillas from gathering forces for a major attack.

To wipe out guerilla resistance, French military sources estimate, would take between 300,000 and 500,000 crack troops. The French now have about 110,000 troops here. Replacements reportedly now are slightly less than losses from demobilisation, battle wounds and disease.

## Foreign Legion

Of the 110,000 troops fighting under the French flag, 60,000 are French or European, 15,000 from North Africa or other parts of the French Union and 35,000 are Indo-Chinese. The largest non-French bloc is the European contingent, are the approximately 2,500 German members of the Foreign Legion. French officials deny rumours of large-scale desertions by the Germans and North Africans. They report about 80 Germans deserted in the last half of 1947 and less than that number from the ranks of "French Union" troops.

The 35,000 Indo-Chinese, recruited and trained from all parts of the country, include about 15,000 members of two religious sects, the Hoa Haos and the Cao Daiists. The latter themselves are arguments for the necessity of a political settlement.

## A Danger

The Hoa Haos and the Cao Daiists joined the French, they announced, to secure the return to power of Bao Dai, former Emperor of Annam. Negotiations between Bao Dai and the French are dragging along and have not yet reached a successful conclusion. Some here fear that if the French don't come to terms with Bao Dai, the 15,000 Hoa Hao and Cao Daiist fighters may turn on the French, a shift of armed

## Two Objectives

The French offensive in Tonkin in the last months of 1947 had two major objectives: to bring Ho Chi Minh's army to battle and to stop the smuggling of arms across the Kwangsi border of China.

The guerillas, however, withdrew to mountain strongholds and the French themselves claimed only 7,000 casualties among their opponents. The arms traffic, according to one reliable source, was stopped temporarily but now has resumed across the frontier, where, patrol posts are thinly spaced. This source estimates the traffic is about 30 percent what it was before the French offensive.

In the south, only one "major" French offensive has so far developed, an attack along the perimeter of the marshy Plain of Des Jours, west of Saigon. Less than 300 guerilla casualties were reported in French communiqués which, however, claimed disruption of guerilla organization and capture of large quantities of arms.

## Two Objectives

Observers credit this disruption with relieving pressure on Saigon from guerillas who have been infiltrating into the city, hurling grenades into bars and cinemas and generally making life insecure.

Whether any other large French operations are in prospect is still undetermined. The deadliest months of the year are now at hand. But some sources say that to assemble sufficient forces for a large operation, the French would have to leave towns unguarded, convoys unprotected or large plantations at the mercy of guerilla rovers.—Associated Press.

## Cheju Island Warfare

Seoul, May 2.

Communist led Koreans opened full-scale guerilla warfare on Cheju Island today. They attacked one town for three hours, encircled three villages and murdered at least seven persons including four women.

The police from American occupied South Korea, who rushed to Cheju on Wednesday to reinforce the local station, attacked the guerillas who attacked today appeared well trained and armed.

They said they bent back the guerillas raiding the village of Ora, three miles inland from Cheju town after a three-hour battle.

The police found six dead persons including a woman who was hanged and another stabbed with a sword.

A man was found stabbed to death at the nearby village of Pyungni which the guerillas occupied briefly.

U.S. Army observation planes flew over the area and reported that the guerillas had encircled and perhaps had already attacked Pyungni, Hae and Sinm, all within 10 miles of Cheju.

Telephones and other communications between Cheju town and most of the inland villages were cut.—United Press.

## Stranded But Safe

London, May 2.

Ten people on board the cutter Phoenix, which was stranded on a coral reef off the wild northern coast of Australia on Friday night, were reported to be safe, Radio Australia said. The Australian Air Force are discussing moves to effect a rescue.

The Phoenix, a supply ship from Darwin carrying supplies and equipment for the Australian-American natural history expedition to Arnhem Land, was carrying 220,000 worth of scientific equipment and urgently needed supplies.

She was 10 days out of Darwin on her way to the expedition's main base on Groote Eylandt, a large island off the western shore of the Gulf of Carpentaria.

Should the ship break up in the heavy seas, the passengers and crew could make their way overland to a mission station, Radio Australia said.—Reuter.

## Chinese Opera In English

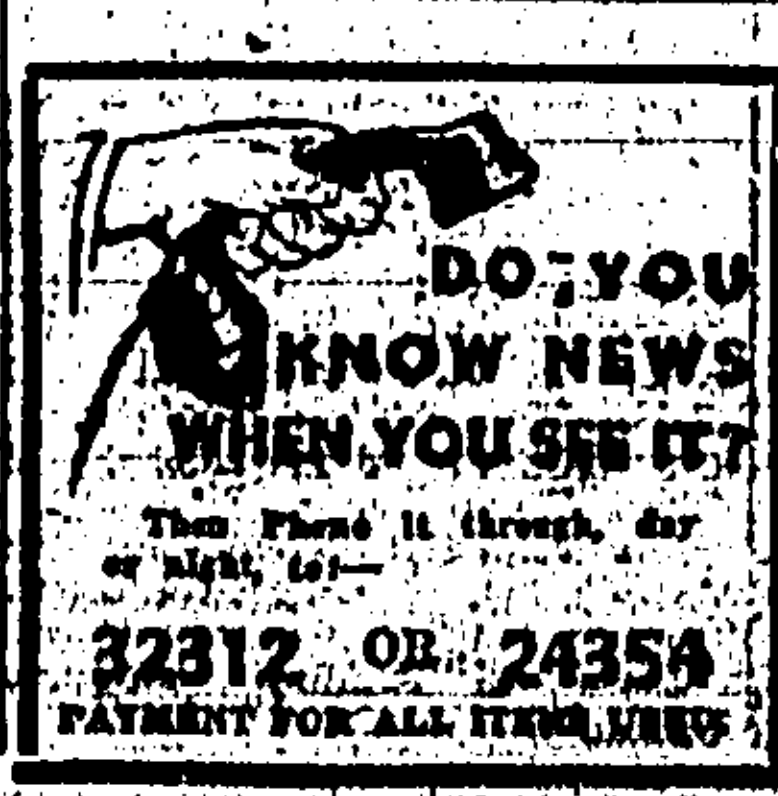
Many who come to China say sorrowfully as they are about to leave that they are going away without having had the experience of a visit to the Chinese theatre. Or else they went and, through lack of knowledge of the language and stage conventions, came away disappointed.

## Watercolours Exhibition

An Exhibition of Watercolours and Oil Paintings by Mr. Luis Chan is open today at the St. Francis Hotel from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and will continue until Wednesday. It is being held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Working Artists' Guild.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Grantham will attend the Exhibition at 3 p.m. today.

There are altogether 48 exhibits of which ten are in oils, the rest being watercolours. Mr. Chan has been working hard of late, the exhibition promises to be one of the most attractive shows recently held in the Colony.



## Price Control List Amended

From 31st March To 3rd May, 1948.

Beer—Wholesale Price		Maximum Retail Price for consumption off the premises where sold e.g. sold by licensed retailer or licensed dealer.		Maximum Retail Price for consumption on the premises where sold e.g. licensed publican, hotel or restaurant.	
Two, Quarts	\$1.60	\$1.65	\$1.65	\$1.65	per bottle
Golden Tree, Pints	1.00	1.05	1.05	1.05	per bottle
Golden Tree, Quarts	1.35	1.40	1.40	1.40	per bottle
Pilsner	1.00	1.05	1.05	1.05	per 12 oz bottle
Tennant's Stout, Pints	1.15	1.20	1.20	1.20	per bottle
Three Musketeers, Quarts	1.00	1.05	1.05	1.05	per bottle
Wieland, Pints	1.05	1.10	1.10	1.10	per bottle
TOILET REQUISITES					
Hair Oil & Brilliantine					
Byrrcream, large size				\$3.00	per bottle
Byrrcream, small size				2.00	per bottle
Soap					
Santalwood				1.20	per tablet
FOODSTUFFS					
Beef & Suet (Australian)				1.40	per lb.
Beef Tongue blades				.80	per lb.
Beef Tongue roots				1.50	per lb.
Mutton (Australian)				1.55	per lb.
Sheep Kidneys				3.00	per lb.
Poultry (Australian)					
Turkey					
CLOTHING & TEXTILES					
Cooper Men's Cotton Knit Underwear				5.50	each
Style 1007				4.50	each
Style 8823					
PATENT & OTHER MEDICINES					
Glucodin				3.00	per lb. tin
Parke Davis & Co.					
Halverell Liquid—50cc				18.30	per bottle
DETERGENTS					
Beer—Wholesale Price		Maximum Retail Price for consumption off the premises where sold e.g. sold by licensed retailer or licensed dealer.		Maximum Retail Price for consumption on the premises where sold e.g. licensed publican, hotel or restaurant.	
Tecate, Pints	\$0.09	\$1.10	\$1.10	\$1.10	per bottle
FOODSTUFFS Fresh Milk					
Avo Sterilized Whole Milk 3 1/2 %				\$10.00	per U.S.A. gallon
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Avo Sterilized Whole Milk 3 1/2 %				1.00	per 1/2 Imperial pint
Buttermilk					
Avo Sterilized iced and consumed on premises				20.00	per U.S.A. gallon.
Avoset Table Grade Cream 18%				1.75	per 1/2 U.S.A. pint
Butterfat					
MILK					
Evaporated—all brands				.80	per 14 1/2 or 16 oz tin
Evaporated—all brands				.40	per 6 oz tin
Kilm Powdered Milk				3.50	per lb.
Unsweetened Condensed Milk				.60	per 12 oz tin
Meat					
Beef & Suet (Australian)				1.55	per lb.
Ox Kidney					
Mild Cured Ham				2.30	per lb.
Shank End				2.55	per lb.
Middle Cut				2.20	per lb.
Butt End				2.05	per lb.
Veal (Australian)					
Calf's Liver				1.45	per lb.
Butter					
Fresh Butter				2.10	per lb.
Fresh Butter				1.05	per 1/2 lb.
CLOTHING & TEXTILES					
Cooper Cat Knit Underwear				5.50	each
Cooper Cotton Knit Underwear				4.50	each
PATENT & OTHER MEDICINES					
Dr. Ross Life Pills				1.25	per bottle
Parke Davis & Co.					
Halverell Liquid—10cc				3.50	per bottle
Phillips' Milk of Magnesia				3.15	per 12 oz bottle
TOILET REQUISITES					
Hair Oil & Brilliantine					
Byrrcream				\$2.20	per bottle
Shampoo					
Mildest Coconut Oil Shampoo				3.10	per 4 1/2 oz bottle
Tooth Paste—Tooth Powder				1.25	per 2 oz bottle
Dr. Lyon's Tooth Powder				2.25	per 3.0 oz bottle
Listerine				2.20	per large tube
Phillips' Milk of Magnesia				1.25	per small tube
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Beer—Wholesale Price		Maximum Retail Price for consumption off the premises where sold e.g. sold by licensed retailer or licensed dealer.		Maximum Retail Price for consumption on the premises where sold e.g. licensed publican, hotel or restaurant.	
Tecate	\$1.05	\$1.20	\$1.20	\$1.20	per bottle
FOODSTUFFS Fresh Milk					
Avo Sterilized Whole Milk 3 1/2 %				\$12.00	per U.S.A. gallon
Buttermilk					
Avo Sterilized Whole Milk 3 1/2 %				1.00	per 1/2 Imperial pint
Buttermilk					
Avo Sterilized Whole Milk 3 1/2 %				1.10	per 1/2 Imperial pint
Buttermilk					
Avo Sterilized iced and consumed on premises				24.00	per U.S.A. gallon.
Avoset Table Grade Cream 18%				1.95	per % U.S.A. pint
Butterfat					
MILK					
Evaporated (American)				1.20	per 14 1/2 or 16 oz tin
Evaporated (American)				.80	per 6 oz tin
Evaporated—all other brands				.80	per 14 1/2 or 16 oz tin
Evaporated—all other brands				.60	per 12 oz tin
Evaporated—all other brands				.40	per 6 oz tin
Kilm Powdered Milk				3.00	per lb.
Meat					
Beef & Suet (Australian)				1.30	per lb.
Ox Kidney					
Mild Cured Ham (Australian)				2.75	per lb.
Shank End				3.00	per lb.
Middle Cut				3.40	per lb.
Butt End				2.50	per lb.
Veal (Australian)					
Calf's Liver				1.45	per lb.
Butter					
Fresh Butter				2.30	per lb.
Fresh Butter				1.15	per 1/2 lb.
CLOTHING & TEXTILES					
Cooper Men's Cotton Knit Underwear				7.00	each
Style 1003				4.00	each
Style 1011				6.00	each
Style 10405				7.10	each
Style 8809				2.00	each
Style 8911				4.30	each
Style 1007				5.50	each
Style 8823				4.50	each
All Styles not specified				3.50	each
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Byrrcream				3.15	per bottle
Shampoo					
Mildest Coconut Oil Shampoo				1.40	per



# WEST GERMANY GOVERNMENT

## Further Red Gain

Nanking, May 2. Government troops evacuated Changlo, 10 miles west of Weihsien, last night, further weakening the government salient in Shantung, it was disclosed today.

Officials said with reinforcements, coming from the east the Nationalists will attempt to make a stand against the Communists between Hu and Linzu, 30 miles north-west of Weihsien.

The loss of Changlo means that the last government remnants in the immediate vicinity of Weihsien are now completely cut off.

Heavy fighting was reported at Nanjing, eight miles east of Weihsien, last government held town in the Weihsien area.

Over 20,000 Communists reportedly were being engaged by government units in the Linzu area. The official Central Daily News said Communist reinforcements were being rushed toward Linzu.

In Manchuria pro-government reports said the Nationalists have made contact with the Communists 18 kilometers from Changchun and several skirmishes occurred in the north and west suburbs of the city.—United Press.



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## RIP KIRBY



## Big Three Meeting Forecast

London, May 1. Diplomatic sources today forecast a meeting of the Big Three Foreign Ministers after the London Conference on Western Germany ends to approve final plans for a Western German Government.

The U.S. Secretary of State, George C. Marshall, the British Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, and the French Foreign Minister, Georges Bidault, would meet later this year probably in Europe to examine recommendations of the London meeting, the sources added.

They indicated that the talks might be coupled with Western Union plans for joint defence and with the suggestions for the United States to supply adequate weapons for the envisaged Western Union defence forces.

Official British quarters said they had no information. Earlier reports of a forthcoming Big Three Foreign Ministers meeting to be held this month in Washington were, denied by the Foreign Office.

Mr. Bevin was understood to be reluctant to proceed to the United States at this moment for both political and psychological reasons but will not be opposed in principle to an exchange of views at top level on all questions pertaining to the future of Western Europe and the Middle East.

## Approach To Molotov

M. Bidault was reliably reported to be one of the main advocates of an early meeting to ascertain safeguards for what is termed French security requirements in Europe.

The evening paper, "Star," meanwhile, claimed that a final level attempt would be made probably by way of personal approach to M. Vyacheslav Molotov, Russian Foreign Minister, to secure Russian cooperation in setting up a German Government before final plans for Western Germany will be approved.

It said the envisaged scheme would be so designed as to make it possible for the Eastern part of Germany to link up with the West at any time.

Chances of such a last-minute agreement were, however, considered to be negligible. Whitehall sources considered it almost certain that a Soviet-sponsored administration with Governmental functions would be set up in Eastern Germany as soon as the Western plans have taken a more definite shape.

**Assembly Scheme**  
Meanwhile, representatives of the Three Big Western Powers and the Benelux countries continue to draft details of the proposed scheme for a Constituent Assembly which is to draw up the constitution for Western Germany.

## Reminders

**Today**  
Portuguese Catholic Association meeting at Rectory of St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, 8 p.m.  
H.K. Singers rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6.30 p.m.  
Whist Drive, European YMCA, West Lounge, 8 p.m.  
Exhibition of oil paintings & water colours by Luis Chan, St. Francis Hotel, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**Coming Events**  
**TOMORROW**  
Union Church Management Committee meeting, Jardine's Board Room.  
Rotary Club luncheon, talk on "Talking for Living" by Col. E.D. Brainerd, 12.30 p.m.  
Exhibition of oil paintings & water colours by Luis Chan, St. Francis Hotel, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**  
General Holiday for celebrating election of Pres. Chiang Kai-shek.  
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**THURSDAY**  
Y's Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

## Senator Charged

Birmingham, Alabama, May 2. Senator Glen Taylor, Vice-Presidential running mate of Henry Wallace, was today formally booked on charges of disorderly conduct and was released under \$100 bond after finger-printed at the police station.

Taylor said: "They treated me very rough, anything but gentlemanly. God help the ordinary man."

Wallace's running mate on the Third Party ticket suffered a slight cut on his right forehead and a barked shin while scuffling with the police who arrested him as he tried to enter a door marked "negroes."

## Grabbed Suddenly

He charged the police who elbowed him off a chair on the porch. The meeting Taylor tried to attend was the Southern Negro Youth conference.

A United States Senator has no immunity from arrest when not on the Senate floor or en route to or from a Senate session.

Seymour Linfield, attorney and veterans' and youth director of national Wallace clubs, said Taylor did not intend to address the meeting as scheduled to do, but planned to say, according to Linfield, that it was not his party's policy to address segregated groups.

Taylor confirmed this in an extemporaneous speech to a local radio audience. "But when I got there I found my way blocked by a burly policeman. He informed me this was a coloured entrance and I told him it did not make any difference to me and started in."

He suddenly grabbed me and they told me five other fine physical specimens came to his assistance. They pushed me off the porch. One clamped his hands and hit me with his elbows. Then they shoved me bodily into an automobile.

"I was unceremoniously hustled into the police station and released," Taylor added.

**Brooch Of Peace**  
He said he did not know the brooch or what steps he will take.

Police chief Floyd Eddy said Taylor would be booked for breach of peace.

Earlier officers had arrested three white persons and a negro minister on charges of violating the city segregation laws.

The meeting was held in a small negro church.

Patrolman W.W. Casey, stationed at the negro entrance of the church porch said he warned Taylor: "This is a coloured entrance. The white entrance is on the side."

Casey said Taylor replied: "I will go in here anyway" and attempted to push past him. Four detectives supported Casey and the senator from the porch toward a police car.—United Press.

## Exercise Red Lion

Colombo, May 1. A Royal Air Force Squadron of five Lincolns and five Yorks, taking part in "Exercise Red Lion the Second"—training flight to the Far East—arrived at Katunayake airfield, Ceylon, today.

Commanded by Squadron Leader R. K. Passmore, the squadron left Gainsborough, Lincolnshire, on April 21 on an exercise designed to show how the Royal Air Force can provide at short notice a striking force on the other side of the globe.

One Lincoln was held up at Mauritius with slight engine trouble and is expected at Katunayake tomorrow when another Lincoln and two Yorks will leave for Singapore on an inspection flight.

Squadron leader Passmore said that so far the exercise had been successful and the crews had gained much valuable experience.—Reuter.

## YOU CAN'T WIN

Las Vegas, Nevada, May 1. Two college mathematicians today agreed with most other gamblers that nobody can beat the roulette wheel.

Albert Hibbs and Roy Walford, both 23 years, lost more than \$600 on their "sure thing" system—about "double" what they won last week.

Walford said "maybe" they would try again but Hibbs commented "we are just about convinced that neither man nor system can beat the gambling house in Nevada."—United Press.

## Readers' Letters

### Beats Ripley

Sir,—One great might-have been in my life has been the joining of the Government Service. Blanding at the cross-roads at the beginning of my teaching career, I was free to pursue one direction or the other. On the one hand was my alma mater, a Grant-In-Aid School, which had been truly a spiritual and intellectual mother to me. On the other, were the delicious prospects of all that a Government School was offering: superior initial pay with a definite maximum to look forward to; regular chunks of increments; free medical service for myself and my family-to-come; special allowances, privileges and priorities; pension, Widow & Orphans Fund, and above all, the pride of being a "Wong-Ka Yan-Ma." None of these advantages had a Grant-In-Aid School to offer me. But to me at that unsophisticated age, it was not just a "Grant-In-Aid" School as opposed to a "Government" School. It was my School! So although I was absolutely free to choose, I really had no choice. It was not, however, a sense of inferiority that decided me; in fact, modesty never having been my strong point, I would have considered it a sheer waste of talent if I chose otherwise than I did. I had no regrets then, and—had none now. I may—in fact, I expect to get a better pay, for since there is no Cheap Sale in commerce that is perennial, why should it be perpetual in teaching. But for a better "Job," I cannot ever get. In the race of earning a livelihood, all my contemporaries in the Training Colleges who had joined Government Schools have left me miles behind; and it is this knowledge that makes me, sometimes, consider the choice I did not make at the beginning a might-have-been; for in truth, even in this, I strive with none.

Just this weekend, I have been made conscious of another might-have-been; I might have known that Ripley was one of the few who had not left me behind.

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# AWKWARD TASK FOR ATTLEE

## Debate On United Europe Conference

### Labour Party And Hague Talks

London, May 1.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, a champion of the Western Union, has the awkward task of making a speech in a Parliamentary debate on the subject on Wednesday with the knowledge that his Party is officially boycotting the 800-delegate United Europe Conference, which opens at The Hague 48 hours later.

In this debate, the Opposition leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, who will be a dominating figure in the line he intends to take in his address to the United Europe Conference.

## G.B.S. Does Not Like Big Sums

London, May 2.

George Bernard Shaw does not like big royalties—at least in lump sums. He has returned a £50,000 cheque to the Rank Film Organisation, a spokesman for the Organisation disclosed.

The cheque was for royalties on the film "Caesar and Cleopatra." But Shaw had an arrangement that he was to be paid in instalments. Presumably he would thus enjoy some saving on his income tax, though neither Shaw nor the Rank Organisation would reveal the arrangement was made.

The Rank spokesman explained that the cheque was sent in error by the Organisation's accounts department and that it had been returned by Shaw with the reminder that he wanted it paid in instalments. It was understood there would be six yearly payments. Associated Press.

## Theatre Manager Apologises

Peiping, May 2.

Feng Chi-tsu, manager of three movie theatres in Tientsin, has formally apologised in the press for having called movie fans "foolish worms."

Feng made this remark in the Peiping district court on April 27 during a hearing of libel action by a Manchurian prince against the producers of the film entitled "Evil House No. 13." Irate fans present waylaid Feng outside the court and wanted to thrash him. They only refrained when he promised to a formal public apology.

This new taking the form of an advertisement for three days in one of the leading newspapers here, in which Feng apologised to movie-goers "of the entire nation" for the insult. Associated Press.

## POWERFUL POISON

Chicago, May 2.

Northwestern University scientists have found a powerful poison that four ounces of it in the water supply of a city of 70,000 would kill every resident.

Dr. Robert K. Summerbell, Chairman of the School's Department of Chemistry, said the new poison is the most lethal single compound known. He said it is a substance secreted from a Pacific shell fish. He did not name the fish. Associated Press.

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## Promotion Of Democracy Association

Shanghai, May 2.

An association for the promotion of constitutionalism has been established in Nanking by General Cheng Chien, President of the Generalissimo's Headquarters in Hankow, and his supporters in his recent unsuccessful bid for the Vice-Presidency. Chinese press reports stated today.

Over 800 persons are said to have attended the inaugural meeting and to have elected a 10-man executive committee, headed by General Cheng.

The chief aims of the new association are the promotion of democracy and constitutionalism in China, the introduction of political reforms, the promotion of national reconstruction and the spreading of the Communist suppression campaign.

In a nine-point declaration, the association said it would demand from the Government an adequate protection of the people's rights as provided in the new constitution, a thorough investigation into the Government machinery to eliminate corrupt and inefficient officials, and improvement of the Chinese armed forces, self-rule for frontier peoples within the limit permitted by the new constitution and the promotion of unity among the countries of East Asia.

The report does not make clear whether the association represents another new clique within the Kuomintang or China's latest political party. General Cheng is a member of the Kuomintang. Reuter.

## RECOVERY PROGRAMME

Washington, May 2.

The first direct contact between the U.S. Agency administering the European Recovery Programme and participating countries will be established at Paris next week.

Three advance agents of the economic cooperating administration (ECA) will leave for Paris today.

Their purpose, ECA administrator Paul Hoffman announced, will be to discuss the urgency of European needs and also to outline a uniform system of reporting, purchase requests to insure an unbroken flow of recovery supplies. Associated Press.

## BISHOP SURPRISED

Sunderland, May 2.

The church bell rang the Bishop here—and was he surprised.

He must have "forgotten the art" the 50-year-old Bishop of Jarrow, the Right Rev. David Colin Dunlop, explained later. When he grabbed the rope to help local ringers he found himself swinging to and fro in the belfry. Associated Press.

## GERMAN RECORD

Frankfurt, May 1.

The overall industrial production in the German "Bzone" broke all post-war records in March, reaching just under half the 1938 level, the bipartite commerce and industry group announced today. Reuter.

## Rayon Mill Opening Up In Shanghai

Shanghai, May 2.

China's industrialisation is expected to take a big step forward shortly with the disclosure that a new local Chinese rayon mill is ready to begin operations after receiving the first consignment of filament rayon machinery from the United States.

The company, the Aloud Mill, when in full production will be able to produce 2,000,000 pounds of filament rayon annually, and later hopes to expand production facilities to include cellophane and rayon by-products.

Foreign technicians are at present on the plant site supervising the operation of American equipment, while two Chinese engineers are being trained in the United States, according to the North China Daily News.

The plant expects to start production early in 1949.

In the opinion of local industrialists and bankers, the Aloud Rayon Mill will be able to meet the insistent demands for rayon by the city's silk weavers and will bring about substantial savings of foreign exchange which otherwise would have to be allotted for the purchase abroad of this much-needed yarn.

Some circles also considered this establishment of a rayon plant could be considered as China's reply to the much-advertised resumption of rayon production in Japan. Reuter.

## C.N.A.C. Line To Tokyo

Shanghai, May 2.

After protracted negotiations, the China National Aviation Corporation is expected to inaugurate a "regular" air service between China and Tokyo some time in the middle of May.

Before then, a DC-4 survey plane will make a trail-blazing flight to Tokyo. Reuter.

## Elizabeth's Wedding Gifts

London, May 2.

Six months after Princess Elizabeth's wedding, the staff is still giving away food sent her from overseas.

Gift parcels keep rolling in from the United States, Canada, Argentina, Brazil, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Egypt and India.

Their contents are distributed to groups of the less fortunate. Among them are old age pensioners, widows supporting children, invalids and orphans.

Between ten and 15 of the Princess's helpers are busy much of the time unpacking parcels, many outside, and making up new ones for delivery throughout the country. Associated Press.

## Nehru's Accusation Against Pakistan

Now Delhi, May 1

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, said here today that although he was "dead certain" that Pakistan was supporting raiders using anti-aircraft guns and mountain artillery in Kashmir, India did not want to "get involved in a conflict with Pakistan."

He declared: "We shall continue our activities in Kashmir—but as far as possible, we shall never cross over into Pakistan territory."

Pandit Nehru told a press conference that India opposed "some parts" of the Security Council's resolution on Kashmir but there would be no question of "half-hearted implementation" of the resolution.

As matters stood, there were only two ways out—warfare or settlement.

"We propose to carry on the war as efficiently as possible and rapidly as possible until we drive the last raider out of Kashmir unless we find a settlement to establish peace and order in the state and raiders are withdrawn," he said.

The Indian Government, he added, would consider the matter fully in the light of the Security Council's resolution when Sir Girja Shannar Bajrai, India's representative on the Council, returned early next week.

Asked if India would consider withdrawing from the United Nations, Pandit Nehru replied emphatically "No." The question does not arise. Reuter.

## Radar Research

Washington, May 2.

The radio waves which are the "eyes" of radar are helping science to explore the minute worlds of the molecule and the atom.

A Harvard University scientist, Dr. E. Bright Wilson, told the American Physical Society last week-end that laboratory research workers were working with these "microwaves" to investigate matter, the research workers convert chemical substances under study to gases.

Molecules of different sizes will split up only their own special radio waves.

Noting the different wavelengths absorbed by the gas, scientists are able to get a more accurate picture of the structure of molecules. Reuter.

## PASSENGERS DETAINED

Peiping, May 2.

The newspaper Hsin Bei Jih reported today that 70 civil and military officers, including some National Assembly delegates, are stranded on the Communist-held Shantung coast after the seizure of Wan Kiang, and are being detained at Jungchen for political reeducation.

The newspaper said that the victims, whose number includes several generals, were promised their freedom after completion of their "courses."

It said that a woman and her son—committed suicide by drowning after she lost her life savings in the shipwreck. United Press.


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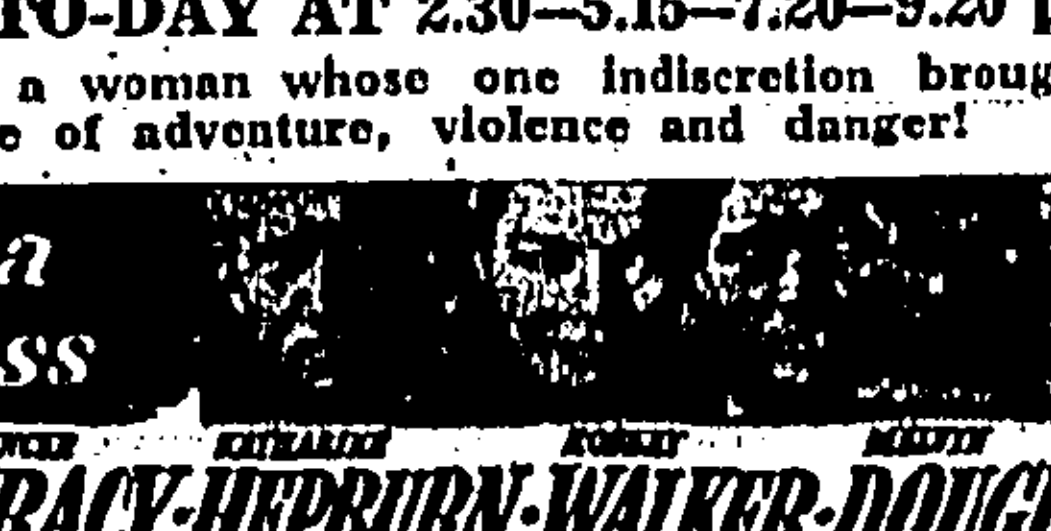
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# MARTIAL LAW IN ATHENS

## Assassination Of Minister Of Justice

### Drastic Measures To Be Taken

Athens, May 1.  
Martial law was proclaimed today in the Athens district, the Peloponnese, Crete and other Greek islands a few hours after the assassination of M. Christos Ladas, the Minister of Justice, who was wounded in the head and stomach by a grenade.

The alleged assailant, a 22-year-old street sweeper named Efstratios Mountzoyannis, was taken to hospital unconscious. One of the police guarding the Minister was killed.

Three grenades were thrown but one failed to explode. The police said that the alleged attacker was a member of the "Opla", wartime Communist militia. He was wearing an "Opla" uniform. A Greek Air Force sergeant was also taken into custody in connection with the assassination. The entire Athens police force was ordered to stand by.

M. Lada, aged 55, was about to step into his car outside his home this morning when the first hand grenade was thrown, wounding the Minister, his driver and a policeman. A second policeman, standing in a doorway, fired at the assailant, who threw another grenade, wounding both the policeman and himself.

#### Rod Orders

Another man was seen to run away down the street. Mountzoyannis regained consciousness in hospital and was reported to have nodded when the police asked him if he had acted on orders from the Communist Party.

M. Lada was critically wounded and doctors undertook a head operation in an effort to save his life. However, he died 13 hours later.

King Paul, M. Themistocles, the Premier, M. Tsaldaris, Vice-Premier and other Cabinet Ministers, saw M. Lada in hospital. M. Sofoulis, other Cabinet Ministers and the Deputy Chief of Staff held an emergency conference and decided to impose martial law, empowering the military authorities to make arrests without warrant, impose curfews and censor internal mail, but not the press.

#### "Terrorism"

"Drastic measures will be taken to crush the Communist terrorism," a Government spokesman said.

The Communists were said to hold M. Lada, a leading lawyer, responsible for the execution of hundreds of former members of the resistance organisation, sentenced to death after the 1944 rebellion.

In a statement issued a fortnight ago, M. Lada listed 127 people executed in this connection, saying that they had committed a series of murders three years ago.

Official figures issued recently by the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Public Order, showed that 18,000 Communists and Communist sympathisers were in prison or in exile. Some 9,000 to 10,000 other "Communist suspects" were recently said to be held on the detention island of Makronissos, off the tip of the Attica peninsula. Reuter.

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### Bomb Scare At F.O.

London, May 1.  
There was a bomb scare at the Foreign Office on Saturday.  
A workman delivered a crate and someone noticed a "suspicious" wire sticking out. Police bomb experts hurried over and found oranges in the crate and a price tag attached to the wire. Associated Press.

### Peron's Narrow Escape

Buenos Aires, May 1.  
President Juan D. Peron narrowly escaped injury today when a photographer dropped a camera from a balcony overhanging the rostrum from which Peron was speaking.

The camera smashed a glass on the desk on which the text of the President's speech lay. Peron interrupted briefly his reading of the address.

He was opening the third Congress of his administration. He told Congress he opposes any change in the constitution which would permit him to remain in office after his present six-year term expires.

Any change, he said, would be a serious danger to the Republic.

Peron restated Argentina's claim to portions of the Antarctic, and declared Argentina will not be led into conflict with Russia.

He criticised the omission of Spain from the Marshall Plan, asserting: "While Western Europe receives aid from the battle against Communism, Spain continues to be punished, although the Spanish people do not deserve such punishment. In their desperation they might one day take extreme measures." Associated Press.

### Churchmen Appeal

Jerusalem, May 1.  
Three high Christian churchmen have sent a letter to the High Commissioner in Palestine asking for safety and security for the Holy Places.

The letter, signed by Roman Catholic Archbishop Gori, Armenian Patriarch Garegh the Second and Greek Orthodox Patriarch Archbishop Athenagoras, said: "We emphasise our fears as to the security and respect of sanctity of the shrines and places sacred to all Christians of the world." Associated Press.

**BARCLAY ON BRIDGE**  
By Shepard Barclay  
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**REALLY A FIFTH TYPE**  
LET'S BEGIN with the four fundamental kinds of hands on which the bidding is opened—1. The sound bid of one in a suit with a fair bit more than average high card strength in the entire hand. 2. The powerful hand justifying a game contract for the pair regardless of how weak the partner may be. 3. The hand extremely weak in high card strength but with such a long suit that an original bid of three or more in it could not be punished. 4. The balanced hand about a trick and a half above average to justify a No Trump opening. Now let's add a fifth type—a hand on which a "psychic" bid should be made.

S K 63  
H J 754  
D 72  
C J 962

S Q J 108  
H A Q 103  
D A K 4  
C K 10

S A 94  
H K 8  
D Q J 103  
C A Q 75

(Dealer: South East-West vulnerable)  
South West North East  
1NT Dbl Pass Pass  
A "psychic bid" in its most extreme form is what South made on that deal. He was so weak, so unable to take a single trick, that the opponents, with two-thirds of the remaining cards, were on mathematical probabilities virtually sure to have a game in their hands at some declaration. If 1-No Trump bid was to mislead and obstruct them from reaching their best contract. If West refused to what they doubled him and beat his head off, their score probably would be less than they could get in a vulnerable contract of their own.

When West doubled this and East passed, South's venture had really borne fruit, if he had stood pat. As it developed, they could take all the tricks, setting him seven for a score of 1,300 points, much less than they could get by playing the deal at a slam of their own. Even a small slam, vulnerable, would have a value of 1,470 with the extra trick, and a grand slam contract would be worth 2,220.

South lost his nerve, however, when he found himself doubled in the 1-No Trump. Instead of passing, he redoubled as an S.O.S. to the partner, asking that the latter take him out in his best suit. North missed the cue, however, and passed. So the sedulous bid score against poor South was 2,600 points, more than the opponents' grand slam would have netted.

Tomorrow's Problem.  
S 5  
H K 53  
D A K 653  
C A 752

S J 106  
H Q 864  
D 97  
C K 1062

S Q 94  
H 72  
D Q J 1062  
C Q 964

S A K 8732  
H A J 109  
D J 4  
C 2

(Dealer: North. Both sides vulnerable).  
After the diamond A, spade A and spade 2 ruled by the heart K, South discards the heart J seeking 6-Hearts. Why should West refuse to what

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# CHINESE GOVERNMENT BUYING UP SCRAP

**By Dick Turner**

# EUROPE DEFENCE PLANS

lack of standardised equipment and arms and the facilities to produce it, lack of a co-ordinated command complicated by national jealousies. — Associated Press.

## Extra Half Million Was For Doctor

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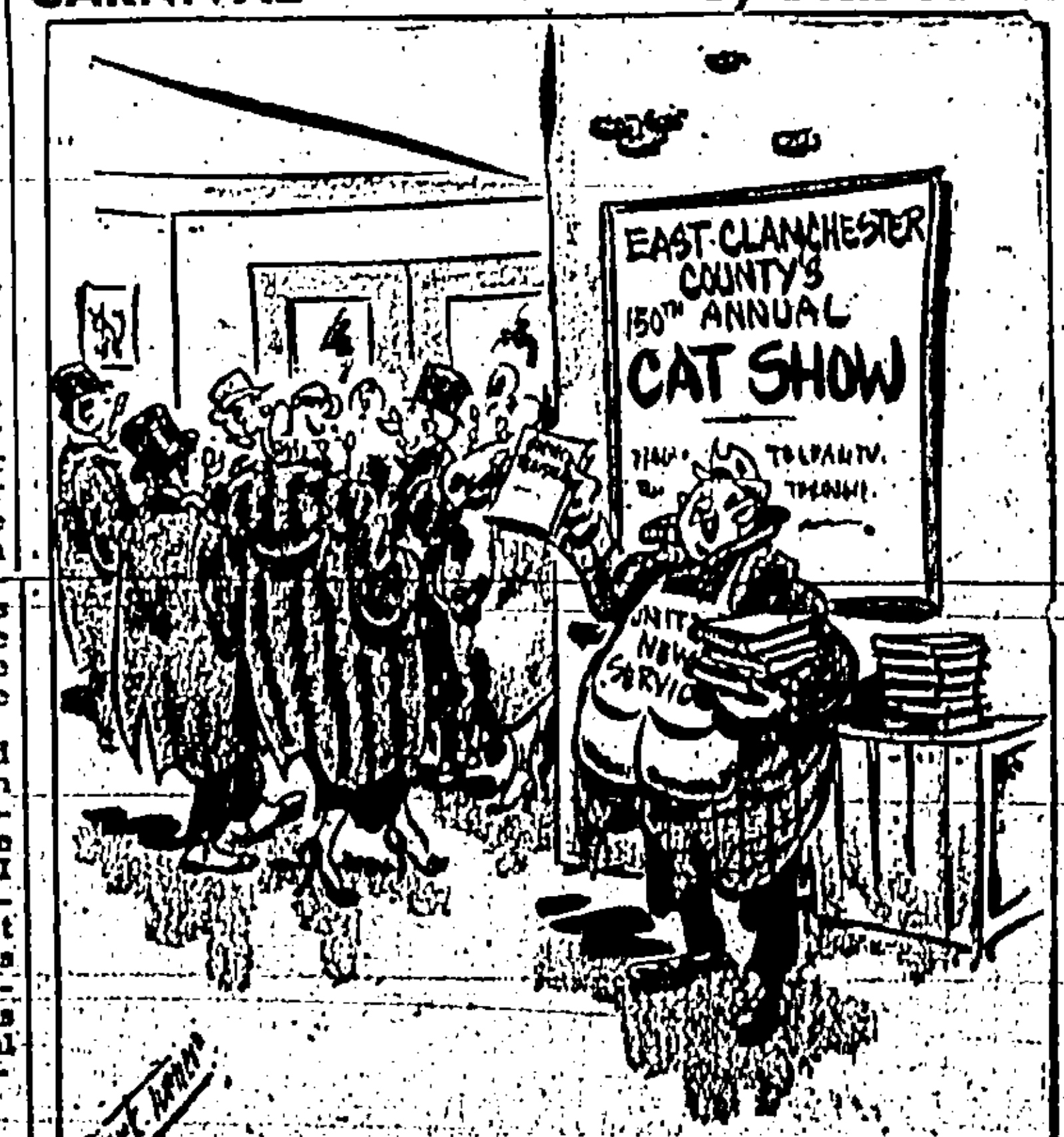
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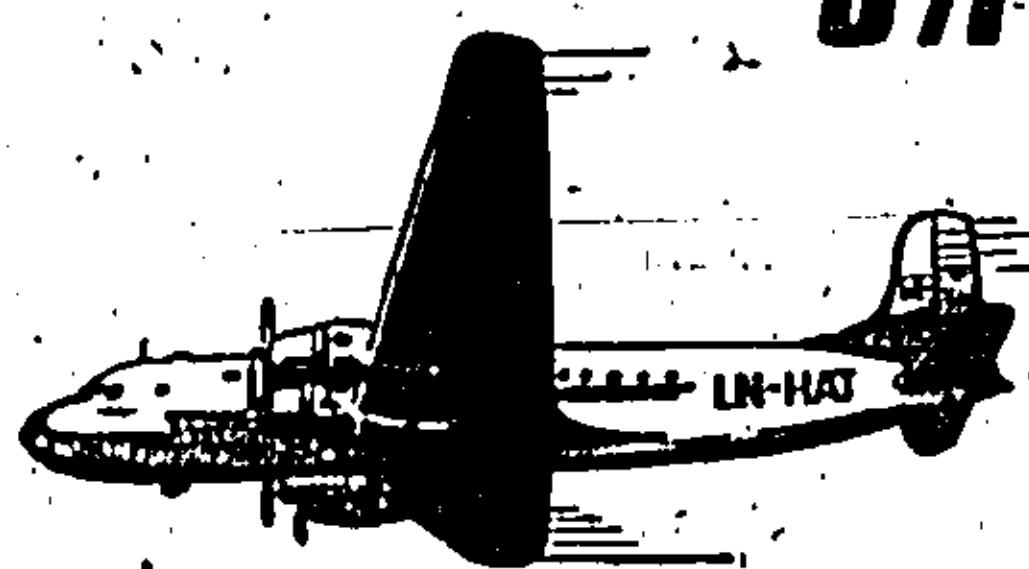
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# UNITED NATIONS CRITICISED

## Jewish Delegate Attacks Trusteeship

### Violent Reversal Of Policy

Lake Success, May 1.  
Aubrey Eban, Jewish Agency representative, told the political committee of the United Nations Assembly that the American-sponsored plan for trusteeship in Palestine will only increase Jewish-Arab fighting.

Eban criticised the United Nations for continuing the trusteeship debate while the Holy Land is being partitioned by force.

He added that neither the Jews nor the Arabs will accept any plan which will delay the independence of Palestine but the political committee was proceeding with its trusteeship discussions just the same.

"It is an attempt to appease violence," he declared.

Eban spoke after Riah El Solh of Syria had voiced Arab objections to many sections of the trusteeship plan.

The Arabs refrained from rejecting the trusteeship idea as a whole.

### Fait Accompli

Eban said that last November the United Nations recognised the Jews as fit for independence but now is "considering them as a minority to be placed under an undetermined period of trusteeship."

He called this a "violent reversal."

If the United Nations establishes trusteeship, it will find Palestine already partitioned into Jewish and Arab areas, he said, and added that the trusteeship project might require more enforcement troops than the partition plan.

Eban pointed out that the United States offered the trusteeship scheme on the assumption that the Jews and Arabs would cooperate.

"Nobody can seriously believe that this proposed trusteeship plan shows any promise of resulting in basic agreement between the Jews and Arabs," he declared.

The committee adjourned until Monday at 14.30 GMT.—Associated Press.

## JEWISH APPEAL

Lake Success, May 2.  
The Jewish Agency appealed to the United Nations Security Council tonight to act quickly and stop the reported invasion of Palestine by Arab forces.

Moshe Shertok, chief of the Agency's political department, said that unless the Security Council intervened, large scale warfare was inevitable. This, he said, would lead to a "major conflagration with incalculable consequences."

Shertok's telegram was sent to Alexandre Parodi of France, President of the Security Council. It recounted reports from Palestine of Arab forces crossing the border and said:

"Jewish defence forces are determined to resist this new phase of invasion at all costs."

"We appeal to you as President," Shertok concluded, "to prompt appropriate action with the greatest urgency."

Earlier the Jewish Agency lambasted the new proposal for a trusteeship in the Holy Land.

In a lashing attack on both the U.S. and the U.N. the Agency warned that Palestine Jews would fight to the end rather than accept the American-sponsored plan for a trusteeship in the Holy Land.

## Shanghai Harbour Drawbacks

Shanghai, May 2.  
Shanghai's second-rate harbour cannot accommodate modern liners up to 40-foot drafts, says T. C. Tsao, Public Utilities Commissioner.

And it will remain a second-rate port, he says, unless drastic steps are taken to redevelop it.

Here are some of Tsao's recommendations to make Shanghai into a modern harbour capable of accommodating modern ships:

1.—Extension of Whangpoo river frontage.

2.—Provisions for the growth of industries and trading in the vicinity of wharves.

3.—A "belt highway" for shipping and collection and distribution of cargo.

4.—De-concentration of oil tanks in a single area.

5.—Conservancy of rail connections and terminals with wharves.

6.—Coordination of rail connections and terminals with wharves.

7.—Rationalized grouping of wharves.

"For the sustained prosperity of the port," Tsao says, "the maintenance and improvement of the waterway is vital. Unless this is done promptly, other improvements will be valueless."—Associated Press.

### QUIRINO APPEAL

Manila, Apr. 1.  
President Quirino, addressing the Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines today, appealed for businessmen's co-operation with the Government in solving national economic problems and called for a new approach to labour-capital problems.

The President asked capital to come to an understanding with labour, and reiterated his proposal for an Advisory Board in which labour, capital and the Government would be represented.—United Press.

It called on the General Assembly's 58-nation Political Committee to toss out the trusteeship plan now and recognise that the partition of Palestine was an accomplished fact.—Associated Press.

## 'Democratic' Regime In North Korea

Seoul, May 1.  
The Russian controlled radio in North Korea announced in a single sentence today adoption of a constitution for the "Democratic People's Republic of Korea."

## German Economic Clash

Geneva, May 2.  
Russia and the West clashed head on today over economic relations with Germany during a plenary meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe.

The Soviet delegate, Ardashev Arutunian, declared that the present Anglo-American policy in Germany was directed to "nefarious political ends" and production in the western zones was being increased to build up Germany's military potential.

The British and American delegates strongly disputed Arutunian's charges and said that the Soviet Union itself was responsible for the cleavage of Germany.

Britain's Minister of State Hector McNeill dealt with the Russian accusations individually in an act to end the discussion.

The issue arose over the maintenance of a liaison office by the commission in Frankfurt. The Soviet Union vigorously opposed the establishment of such an office at the last session of the commission but was decisively outvoted.—Associated Press.

### LEWIS APPROACH TO OWNERS

Washington, May 2.  
Mr. John L. Lewis, chief of the United Mine Workers Union, filed last week after the strike of 400,000 soft coal workers, today asked the soft coal mine owners to meet him on May 18 to negotiate a new contract.

The contract would replace the present agreement expiring June 30, but there was no advance information of Mr. Lewis' demands.

Mr. Lewis was fined \$20,000 and his union \$140,000 for criminal contempt of court by ignoring a court order to end the strike.—Reuter.

### FIRST NON-STOP

London, May 1.  
A Lockheed Constellation airliner of Air France has made the first Paris to New York non-stop flight with a commercial load, the Lockheed Company stated here today.

West-bound planes normally call at Shannon, Eire.—Reuter.

### Stassen Suggestion

Providence, May 1.  
Mr. Harold Stassen, a candidate for the Republican nomination for the United States Presidency, said here last night that America should join in a military alliance with the countries of Western Europe.

The alliance would provide for frequent consultations, joint bases and joint defence plans, he said.

The alliance should be within the Charter of the United Nations and other United Nations members should be invited to join.—Reuter.

## Palestine Trusteeship

Lake Success, May 2.  
The United Nations Assembly's Political Committee was called into extra session today in efforts to speed debate of the American plan for a Palestine trusteeship.

United Nations organs normally do not meet on Saturday or Sunday.

Meanwhile, the Trusteeship Council went into week-end recess without agreeing on a truce for Jerusalem.

The United States last night submitted a proposal to that Council for a temporary Jerusalem trusteeship. The plan drew immediate opposition from the Arabs and received general support from only three countries—China, France and New Zealand.

The Council will resume debate on Monday and hopes to report back to the General Assembly by Monday night.—Associated Press.

## "Lived Next Door To Hitler"

Wiesbaden, May 2.  
The United States Military Government in Germany has met a woman who says she lived next door to Adolf Hitler last year.

Frau Dora Mai says Hitler was alive then and living in Polish occupied Silesia. The military government, apparently skeptical, said it was Russia's problem.

This is Frau Mai's story: "He has a triangular moustache now and he grows sideburns, too. But it is he, all right. I lived next door to him for a year in Legnitz. We both lived on President Roosevelt Strasse."

"It is my moral duty to tell you this. Hitler is too smart for the Russians. They don't know that he is living there on their doorstep."

"He is living with a small dark woman. She isn't Eva Braun. Sometimes he poses as a school-master, sometimes as a Polish Army Lieutenant."

### Lectures Polish

"He has formed a new party, the TPZ. I don't know what it stands for and he lectures to Polish students in German and Polish. He teaches small groups the same doctrines with his hard, rough voice. He is the same domineering disciplinarian, calling for people to rally around him."

"I never asked him if he was Hitler. I just know it."

Frau Mai, shabbily dressed and 33 years old, is one of hundreds of thousands of German refugees from the East. They fled into the American zone continually from Silesia and Pomerania, lands ceded to Poland. She came there illegally through the Russian zone.

She is the first person to claim to have seen Hitler in his own country since he disappeared in the flames of Berlin. Others have claimed to have seen him in foreign countries.

US military government officers said, "It's a Russian worry anyway. Let them catch him."—Associated Press.

## Blackmarketeers In A Dilemma

Tokyo, May 2.  
Chinese blackmarketeers have been placed in a dilemma by the SCAP order applicable to all Allied civilian nationals that they must register their hoarded goods with the Japanese Government.

This ruling, issued early this year, aimed at rounding up idle goods eliminating hoarding which was described "urgent" in view of Japan's shortage of materials.

A Chinese Mission Overseas Section official said Chinese residents have been already acquainted with the SCAP ruling.

The official said that for those who have stocked goods for self use or for the welfare of the Chinese community as a whole, the SCAP ruling should cause no dismay. But the ruling will be tough on the blackmarketeers.

They either register their goods or ignore the SCAP ruling and live in constant fear of having their goods confiscated altogether and being punished.

The official said the ruling, however, is not clear enough as to what the Japanese Government will do with the registered goods.—Central News.

## Philippine Trading With Japan

Manila, May 2.  
The United States Trade Mission, headed by Major-General Daniel Noco, arrived here today from Shanghai for a one-day conference with Philippine officials regarding the possibility of boosting Philippine trade with Japan.

General Noco is expected to confer with President Quirino and other high-ranking officials on Monday.

The Mission spokesman said the Philippines has goods which Japan is anxious to get and Japan has goods which the Philippines are anxious to get. The Mission is investigating possibilities for satisfying both nations.

He declined to comment on criticisms of the Noco group by American businessmen in China except to say "This Mission, as well as the United States Government, is interested primarily in getting Japan off American taxpayers' backs."

American business reportedly discounted the Mission as a "purely diplomatic gesture" because it offered no suggestions or help to China's ailing textile industry.

General Noco said he expected to take off in the Mission's C-40 on Monday night or Tuesday for Okinawa and Tokyo.—United Press.

## Supplies For Syria

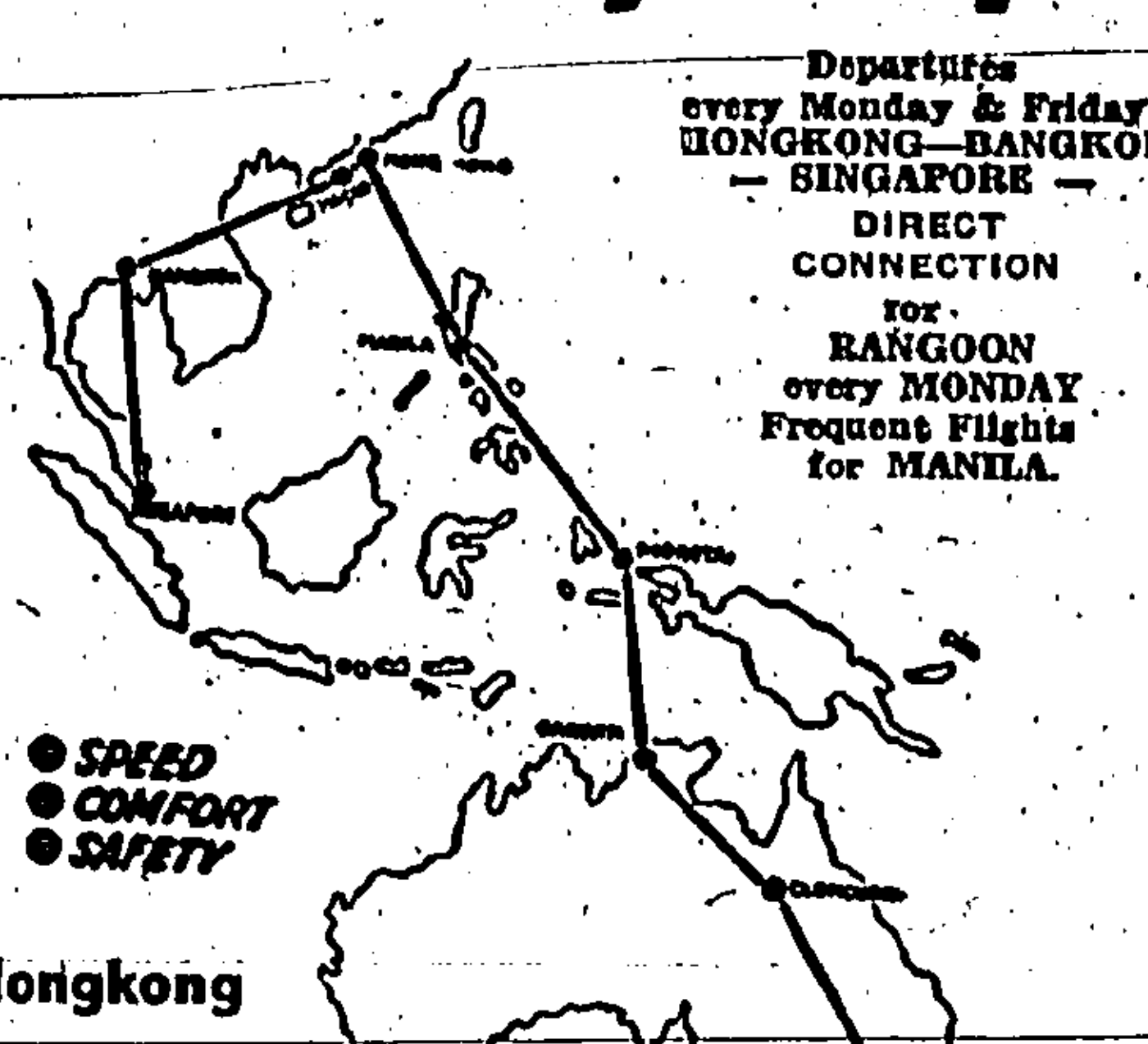
New York, May 1.  
A shipment of 864 pounds of medical supplies for Syria and the Lebanon left here today by air for Damascus.

It consisted mainly of blood plasma and anti-toxic serum.

The American Middle East Relief Incorporated, of New York, who made up the consignment, described it as the largest ever sent to Arab countries.

The shipment is going to the Syrian Red Crescent at Damascus and the Lebanese Red Cross at Beirut.—Reuter.

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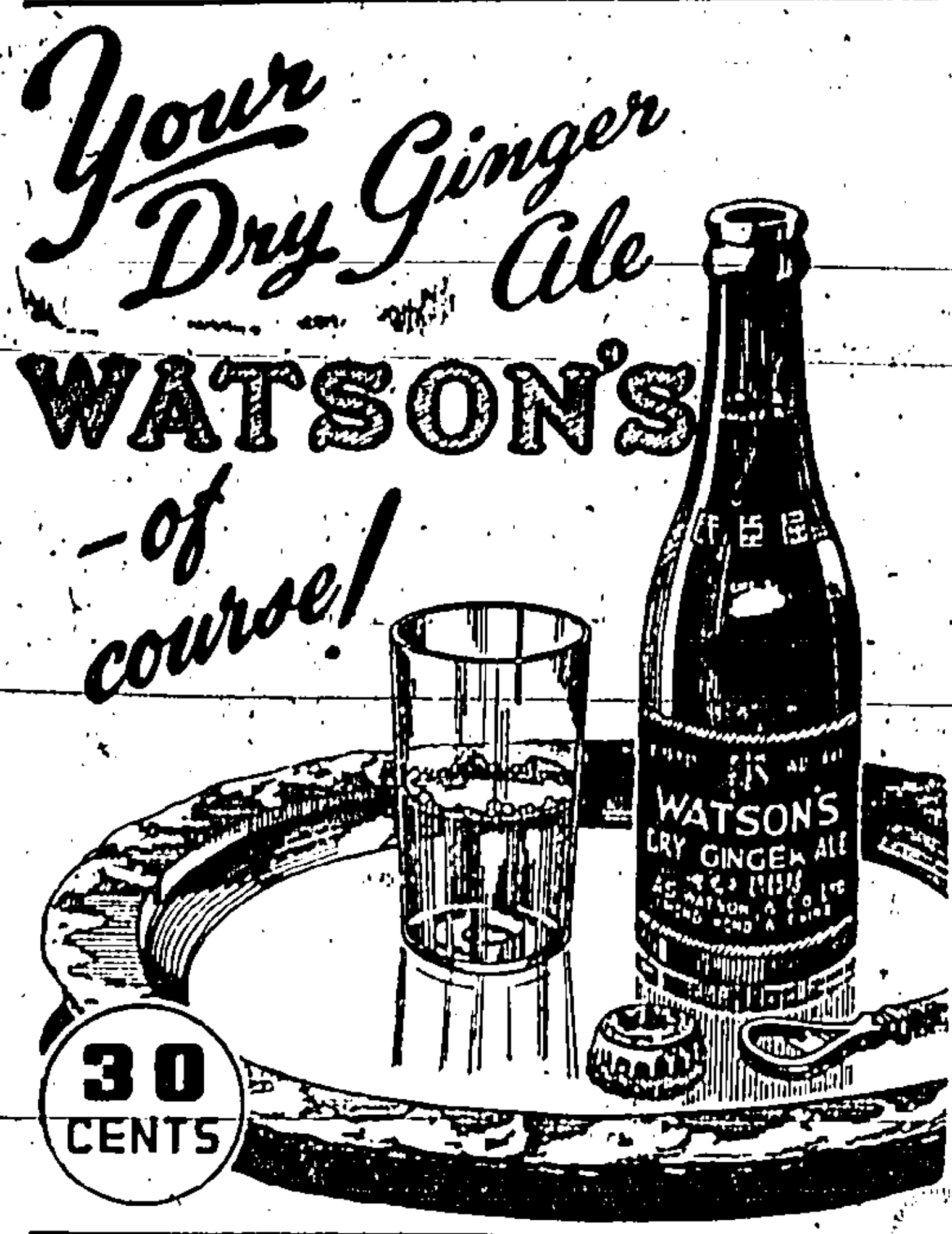
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## ARMY STAFFS IN SYDNEY

Sydney, May 2.  
The establishment in Australia of British and New Zealand Defence Staffs, announced by Mr. John Dedman, the Defence Minister, in a defence report to the Australian Parliament on Thursday, has been received here with enthusiasm.

Some Australian observers, however, are critical of the statement declaring that Australia is "not reacting promptly enough to the deteriorating international situation."

## Satellite Towns The Answer?

Chicago, May 1.  
An article in the bulletin of "The Atomic Scientists" suggests today that danger from possible atom bomb attacks on the United States could be sharply reduced by building clusters of small satellite towns instead of adding to big cities.

Mr. Tracy Aygar, former President of the American Institute of Builders and a leading town planner, compared a concentrated city of one million with a city dispersed in a cluster of 20 units of 50,000 each and separated by four or five miles of open country.

The chance of a direct hit on urban territory in the dispersed city would be only one-fifth to one-fourteenth as great as on a concentrated city, he claimed.

The proposal would not only make cities less vulnerable, but the unattractiveness of the targets might discourage an attack.

"Too inviting a target may create an aggressor out of a nation that otherwise would not become one," he wrote. "It has happened before."—Reuter.

## Compromise Proposal In Java

Java, May 1.  
The American delegation on the United Nations new Good Offices Committee has drafted a compromise proposal to settle the plebiscite dispute between the Dutch and the Indonesian Republicans.

The reported plan would make it unnecessary for the people of Java, Sumatra and Madura to vote directly on whether to join the present republic of the proposed United States of Indonesia.

The people's assembly would elect a constituent assembly which would then divide the country along geographic lines.

The Australian member of the Good Offices Committee is reported to oppose the suggestion, and the Dutch are said to be unenthusiastic. The Republican reaction has not been indicated.

—Associated Press.

## MONEY FOR EUROPE

Washington, May 1.  
Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, Marshall Aid Administrator, today authorized additional supplies, totalling \$515,000,000 to Austria, France, Holland and Italy.—Reuter.

## Stalemate On The German Problem

London, May 1.  
No agreement has yet been reached on the political future of Germany in the six-power talks now going on in London; the Foreign Office on behalf of the French, United States and United Kingdom delegations said: "It is matter of public knowledge that the agenda of present being held in London evolution and structure of the many."

"No agreement has yet been reached on the recommendation of Governments on this subject. When one is reached, it will be announced in due course."—Reuter.

## Major Problem For Chiang

Nanking May 2.  
China's Vice-Presidential election has given Chiang Kai-shek another major political headache. Will he or won't he name former Minister of War General Ho Ying-ching as Premier? If he does—with war leader Li Tsung-jen as Vice-President—the nation's three top posts will be held by military men. Feeling in Nanking is that the government will be top heavy with brass if this happens.

Chiang himself, who is sensitive to world criticism and especially that of the United States, would like to avoid this. But most quarters say he is committed to giving Ho the job. That's why, they add, he was so eager to have civilian Sun Fo win the election to the Vice-Presidency. Even if Chiang nominates Ho, the bespectacled General may run into opposition from the new Legislative Yuan.

Some of its members already are saying there's never been a military man as Premier, with the exception of the Generalissimo, and this is no time to start.

### Famous Jurist

If Ho fails to get the post, the name of Wang Chung-hui is likely to be brought out. A Kuomintang elder with independent status, he is said to have turned down the offer several weeks ago, but at the last moment he might be drafted. A former Foreign Minister

### K. C. Wu

Whether Wang gets the Premiership or not there seems to be general agreement that a Cabinet shake-up will follow the inauguration of Chiang as the first elected President on May 5.

K. C. Wu, Mayor of Shanghai, is being prominently mentioned as Foreign Minister to replace Wang Shih-chieh, who likely will be Vice-Premier.

There is some question as to who will become Chief of Staff to replace Chen Cheng. Most speculation centres around Chang Chih-chung, now Northwest Commander who in the past was cold to the proposal. But he would be almost the only man able to satisfy the military clique known by the name of the Whampoa Military Academy, from which its leaders—among them, Chiang himself—were graduated.

He also could be a bridge between the Whampoa group and the rising fraternity headed by Minister of Defence Pai Chung-hsi. Pai is rallying around him men like Mohammedan General Hung Kwei, and Fu Tso-yi, Northern Commander who believes, like Pai, in emphasis on militia in fighting the Communists.

### Right Wing

Li Tsung-jen, companion of Defence Minister Pai's in resisting the Japanese more than 10 years ago—when the Central Government faltered—lends prestige to this new alignment.

The Kuomintang's Right Wing, led by Chen Li-fu, is expected to be noticeably absent from important positions in the Government. So will the Political Science Group of Premier Chang Chun, whose star has been on the decline since the failures of Chen Yi in Formosa and Hsiung Shih-hui in Manchuria.

Both cliques, which Chen Li-fu controls, and the Political Scientists are expected to put down new roots in the hinterlands.—Associated Press.

## Mosley Heckled By London Crowd

London, May 1.  
The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and other leading spokesmen of the Labour Government turned out today to address May Day crowds who gathered despite heavy showers of rain.

Thousands of London members of trade unions formed up on the Thames Embankment to march with bands and banners to Hyde Park, where they were addressed by several speakers, including Mr. Arthur Horner, the Communist Secretary-General of the National Union of Mineworkers.

A strong detachment of the Communist Party brought up the rear of the procession, Spaniards, marching under "Down With Franco" banners, sang songs of the Spanish civil war.

At Bristol, Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, said: "We are determined to go forward to build up the strength of the great democratic group of countries in Western Europe."

"We and those other countries will be able to get back that production which is the essential basis for the high standard of life we want."

Strong forces of police had to intervene to break up clashes at a meeting of Sir Oswald Mosley's "Union Movement" in East London.

A crowd, obviously mainly hostile, in spite of the presence of several hundreds of Mosley supporters, heard him say: "The First World War I spent in the trenches, and in the air fighting the Germans. I was proud of that."

"The Second World War I spent in gaol. I was prouder still of that."

Mounted police had to disperse a part of the crowd, trying to drown the speeches shortly before Sir Oswald arrived. A fight broke out and a man was escorted by the police out of the crowd.

## Industry In Kenya

Mombasa, May 1.  
Major-General Sir Philip Mitchell, Governor of Kenya, opening the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce here today, welcomed Indian "enterprise" in Kenya's secondary industries.

It was the "grave responsibility" of both European and Indian business communities, he said, to encourage the African business man.

Sir Philip said that he believed that the world had "turned the corner" and that recovery was "really under way."—Reuter.

## Up To Europe To Work It Out

Washington, May 2.  
Key European Powers will have to work out their own grand strategy of defence against Russia. Until that is done any final decision on the kind and exact scope of American military backing for Western Europe is unlikely.

This became evident on the basis of information from both diplomatic and Administration officials.

They agree that in planning what amounts to a military alliance the American Government must know exactly where, how and with what forces the Europeans intend to set up their own defenses.

At the moment there is no indication of any plan to increase United States forces now in Europe.

One of the problems before the meeting of Western European Defence Ministers in London undoubtedly is the amount of manpower which the five nations in this union can provide for a permanent defense arrangement.

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## LABOUR DAY CELEBRATION

Traditional Parades All Over World

Stalin Sees Jet Fighters  
Fly Over Moscow

London, May 1.

Labour marched through the streets of the world today in traditional May Day celebrations. In Moscow, Marshal Stalin watched tanks thunder across Red Square, while new jet fighters screamed overhead.

In Tokyo, half a million Japanese gathered at the Imperial Palace. In Trieste, the "border area" between East and West, rival demonstrators clashed.

Marshal Stalin, his hair silver-white, stood on Lenin's Tomb in Moscow's Red Square today as tanks rumbled by and new jet fighters screamed overhead in a giant May Day procession.

Crack troops in the parade—slightly smaller than last year—marched past the saluting base on the top of the Tomb, where Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Minister for the Armed Forces, took the salute.

Marshal Stalin's son, Major-General of the Air Force Vassili Stalin, commanded the fly-past from a four-engined "flagship". Moscow Radio commentators claimed that the new jet fighters seen in the parade were flying "at the speed of sound".

After the military parade came a civilian one, with 30,000 sportsmen, including leading chess players, students and workers, led by a 1,000-strong civilian band.

## "Uncle Sam"

The main theme of their banners was the peaceful reconstruction of the Soviet Union, but, for the first time in a May Day parade, there were some showing a caricature of "Uncle Sam" holding an atom bomb and a flaming torch.

Among the distinguished foreign guests watching the celebrations were Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, the Indian Ambassador, and her two daughters.

In his address, Marshal Bulganin declared: "The Soviet Union has always stood and stands for peaceful relations, based on equal rights between all nations, great and small."

In Berlin, 200,000 Berliners demonstrated in the German capital today, half of them in the Lustgarten, in the Soviet Zone, and half in the Platz der Republik, in the British sector.

Columns of men, women and children marched from all parts of Berlin to the Lustgarten, where pro-Soviet speakers called for new efforts to ensure the unity of Germany against "the separatists from the West."

## Trieste Enthusiasm

Marshal Vassili Sokolovsky, the Soviet Military Governor, decreed in a May Day order that all property seized by the Nazis in the Soviet Zone should be returned at once to political parties, trade unions and other democratic organisations.

At the British sector meeting, the loudest applause greeted a speaker who declared: "Our slogan should be a First of May free of occupation forces."

In Trieste, the Communists staged the most colourful display in this city of rival factions. Detachments of partisans, many wearing old British battle dress, were wildly cheered when they marched through the city, while men in red vests and white trousers and women in white blouses and blue skirts turned out in force.

An anti-Communist demonstration brought out about 20,000 people. The police made several arrests in the dock area, where the Christian Democrats were alleged to have beaten up a man wearing a red tie.

Two hundred youths attacked the Communist Party Headquarters, alleging that the Communists had thrown acid at them.

## Russian Ovated

In Rome, by far the greatest ovation greeted the Russian delegate, M. Kuznetsov, when trade union leaders of the Big Four powers addressed 25,000 demonstrators in the Piazza del Popolo.

"Altogether we must stop warmongers from starting a third world war," he declared.

## Going The Wrong Way

Famagusta, May 1.

The "Empire Test" left Famagusta harbour for Haifa today with a large detachment of British troops with full equipment and Bren gun carriers aboard.

The troops were due to return to Britain but according to an unofficial military statement, they are temporarily staying in Palestine and replacing the evacuating troops.—Reuter.

Belgrade: Marshal Tito and other Government heads watched a three-hour march-past.

Brussels: Reinforced police marched through the streets in a three-hour march-past. Communist demonstrators, M. Paul Henri Spaak, the Premier, headed a Socialist meeting.

## Bombay Strike

Toulon: Demonstrators in a Communist-sponsored procession came to blows with the police when they tried to enter a "forbidden street." Several demonstrators were injured.

Vienna: The Austrian Chancellor, Dr. Leopold Figl, and the Communist leader, M. Ernst Fischer, addressed rival meetings.

Two thousand police, reinforced by 5,000 reserves, supervised the demonstrators.

Bombay: Ten thousand workers went on strike because the management had not declared a May Day holiday. A quarter of a million workers paraded in various demonstrations.

Oslo: About 12,000 demonstrators marched through the streets in rain and snow, carrying banners with such slogans as "For Peace, Liberty and Democracy." The Communists held special demonstrations, attended by less than 3,000 people.—Reuter.

## NO MENACE OF A NEW WORLD WAR

Brussels, May 1.

The Socialist Premier, Paul-Henri Spaak, today told a May Day crowd of 20,000 that there is "absolutely no menace of a new world war."

Addressing the crowd from the balcony of the Headquarters of the Belgian Socialist Party, Spaak said, "It is no diplomatic statement when I say that frankly there is absolutely no menace of a new war, but however, an accident can always happen. In the world of today there is no government that deliberately would provoke war."

Premier Spaak then flayed Communism and said, "We must fight it to the bitter end. There are two stumbling blocks in the way of peace. They are Communism and Reaction. Liberty and Democratic Socialism are the only effective means of combating Communism."

Spaak was loudly applauded when he said the United States of Europe was in the making.

He said, "The United States of Europe is the only political entity capable of maintaining peace. We cannot solve international problems unless we integrate European nations and by integrate, I mean unite politically, economically and militarily. Belgium is powerless between two formidable blocs—USSR and USA."—United Press.

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## Money Market In London

London, May 1.  
It has been a rather patchy week in London's money market, with a period of easy conditions sandwiched between acute shortage of funds during the early and latter stages.

A large volume of maturing Treasury bills came to the aid of market houses that had been hard-put-to-find-fresh-overnight accommodation, but with the advent of heavy revenue payments, stringent conditions returned and with them the need for aid from a special buyer.

The buying of bills by clearing banks was negligible and so failed to provide any of the much-needed relief. The Bank of England return showed few features.

The active note circulation remained practically unchanged, but it is the opinion that seasonal factors and other influences will result in an increased demand for currency during the coming weeks.

Application for £170,000,000 Treasury Bills totalling £287,335,000 of which £170,000,000 were allotted at an average rate of ten shillings 1.34 pence per cent, -Reuter.

**Japanese Mission In India**  
Calcutta, May 1.  
A four-man Japanese Trade Mission arrived today for a four-week tour of India.

The Mission was headed by W. R. Katon of the Foreign Trade Division of the Supreme Command for the Allied Powers.

The Japanese represent cotton, jute, general and textile machinery interests.

Eaton said that Japan badly needs jute, cotton, pigiron and other raw materials. He said Japan could send to India locomotives, machinery, electrical apparatus and other capital goods.

The Mission met jute interests and also discussed the possibility of exports of mica and other minerals to Japan. -Associated Press.

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Alexandria: Gold, per "dirhem" 162 piastres; Egyptian pound 510; Sovereign 530; Turkey pound 370; Napoleon 380; Dollar (piece de cinq) 510; Silver (piastres) per Kilogram 775.

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Bangkok: Gold, Bar, per baht-weight of 15.24 grammes 534 licals. Exchange Rate (Selling). Bangkok on New York 21.50; London 60.50; Hongkong 3.74. -Reuter.

## Shanghai, May 1.

Wilfred F. B. Wong, managing director of the American Engineering Corporation, today said the continuous flight of capital and industry from China proper to Hong Kong is making a boom town out of the Crown Colony, and he indicated that this was being done largely at the expense of Shanghai's development.

In an address to the Shanghai YMCA Club, he pointed out that the population of Hong Kong has doubled since the war—from 1,000,000 to 2,000,000. He said Chinese businessmen have found the stable conditions there much more attractive for their enterprises than China proper.

Wong said trade flourishes in Hong Kong because it is a free port, free from import-export limitations and he contrasted this with the stringent import-export regulations imposed by the Central Government.

He emphasized the fact that the continued instability of Shanghai—both economic and social—has given added impetus to the "get out of China" movement of Chinese investments.

Wong summed up the boom in Hong Kong and the exodus from Shanghai and China generally, as follows:

**Foreign Exchange**  
1. Many capitalists are seeking protection from restrictions and economic instability. Recently, 100,000 textile spindles and several enamel and soap factories moved to Hong Kong from Shanghai and surrounding areas, he said.

2. Industrialists can get "reasonable" foreign exchange in Hong Kong. In Shanghai, foreign exchange is strictly limited by the Government and is pegged.

3. The convenience of unrestricted manufacture of goods in Hong Kong with unrestricted exports to the huge South Seas market.

4. Living conditions in Hong Kong are stable in terms of Hong Kong dollars even though living is slightly more expensive there than in Shanghai. -United Press.

**Unique Exhibit In Shanghai**  
Shanghai, May 2.  
Under the joint auspices of the Chinese Society of Electrical Engineers and the China Amateur Radio League, a telecommunication exhibition, the first of its kind in China was opened here yesterday and drew large crowds all day long.

Among the many exhibits of modern and recent scientific development of telecommunications are the teleprinter and the picture transmission of the Chinese Government Radio Administration, a rotary switching system of the Shanghai Telephone Company, and radar and ultra short-wave aircraft communications equipment of China's two major

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**Clues Across**  
1 Stopped temporarily. 10 Base. 15 Volcano.  
7 Black. 18 Asking. 22 Dis. 25 Courtous.  
9 Solitary. 24 Send. 26 Shatter.  
11 Wearies. 25 Shatter. 26 Shatter.  
13 Vague. 26 Monster. 27 Praises.

**Clues Down**  
2 Dodge. 13 Deduce. 14 Valued. 15 Bundle. 16 Bore. 17 Monitor. 18 Bore. 19 Bore. 20 Enliven. 21 Dean. 22 Canal. 24 Pardon. 25 Strew. 26 Starts.

**Saturday's Crossword**  
Across: 1 Picket, 4 Banjo, 7 Egress, 8 Scant, 10 Laud, 12 Monitor, 15 Sepoy, 16 Bore, 17 Dial, 19 Defer, 20 Enliven, 21 Dean, 23 Canal, 24 Pardon, 25 Strew, 26 Starts.  
Down: 1 Prelude, 2 Carousel, 3 Elia, 5 Ascribed, 6 Junior, 9 Doyen, 11 Delicate, 12 Model, 13 Toreador, 14 Remnants, 18 Intact, 22 Taut.

## S.C.A.P. Cuts 194 Off List

Tokyo, May 1.  
General Douglas MacArthur, the Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, today cut by 60 per cent the list of Japanese companies scheduled for decentralization.

He announced the removal of 194 industrial and distribution companies from the list which originally designed 225 concerns under the law for "elimination of concentrations of excessive power."

Allied circles here interpreted the announcement as an indication that the decentralization of industry would not be carried out in such a way as to hamper the rehabilitation programme envisaged by two American missions to Japan, headed by General William Draper, and Mr. Clifford Strike.

General MacArthur's announcement said the present list should not be regarded as final and that other removals would follow after routine investigation. -Reuter.

## N.Y. Stock Market

New York, May 2.  
Profit taking and strike threats clipped the wings of the stock rally this week. The market's setback halted a rise that had progressed through six weeks of trading. In Saturday's short session stocks continued to decline fractions to around a point. However, Midcontinent Petroleum and Central Railroad of New Jersey pushed to new 1948 highs and other gainers included Seaboard Oil, Gulf Oil, United Aircraft and Lehigh Valley Coal.

Transfers totalled 488,000 shares. Dow Jones: Average—Stocks 66.77, Industrials 100.25, 15 Italia 66.05, 10 Utilities 84.02.

Closing quotations:—Alabama Express 18, Alaska Juneau 8 1/2, American Can 88 1/2, American Smelting 58, American Telephone 12 1/2, American Waterworks 7 1/2, Arizona Copper 36, Aviation Corp. 6 1/2, Baltimore Locomotive 14 1/2, Barnhill 40 1/2, Bendis Aviation 23 1/2, Bethlehem Steel 24 1/2, Boeing Aircraft 20 1/2, Border Co. 40 1/2, Canadian Pacific 14 1/2, J. I. Case 44 1/2, Chrysler 58, Commercial Union 28 1/2, Corp Products 69 1/2, Dupont 17 1/2, Eastman Kodak 42, Electric Light & Power 18 1/2, General Electric 50 1/2, General Motors 65 1/2, Goodrich 64, Goodyear 43 1/2, Homestake Mining 38 1/2, International Harvester 65 1/2, International Paper 36, International Tl. & Tl. 12 1/2, Johns Manville 37 1/2, Kennecott Copper 63 1/2, Montgomery Ward 68, National Distillers 16, National Lead 34 1/2, New York Central 16 1/2, Packard Motor Car 42 1/2, Pan American Airways 2 1/2, Pennsylvania R.R. 18 1/2, Radio Corp. 10 1/2, Republic Steel 36 1/2, Reynolds Tobacco 87, Schenley 28 1/2, Sears Roebuck 36, Shell Oil 24 1/2, Sears Roebuck 36, Southern Pacific 44, Standard Brands 26, Standard Oil of Calif. 60 1/2, Standard Oil of N.J. 79 1/2, Studebaker 22 1/2, Union Carbide 11 1/2, U.S. Rubber 48 1/2, U.S. Steel 75 1/2, U.S. Lines 18 1/2, Westinghouse 25 1/2, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 75 1/2, Gen. Pub. Utilities 12 1/2. -Associated Press.

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airlines, the Central Air Transport Corporation and the China National Aviation Corporation.

An oscillograph is being used for observing sound waves and a photo-electric counter for recording the number of visitors. -Reuter.

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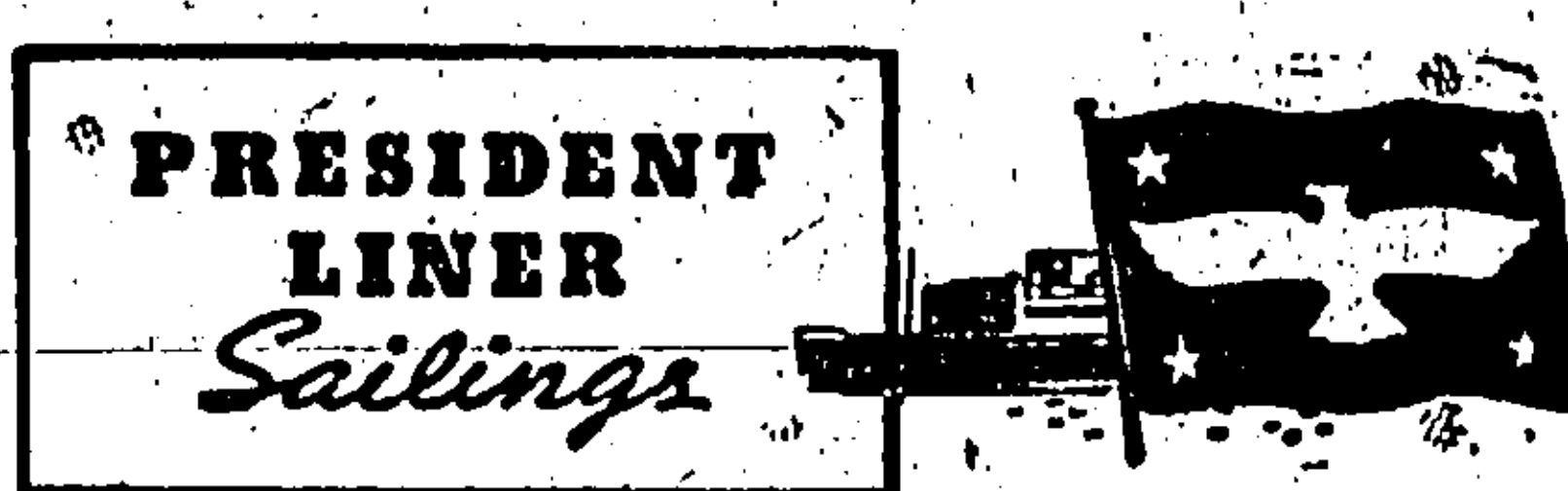
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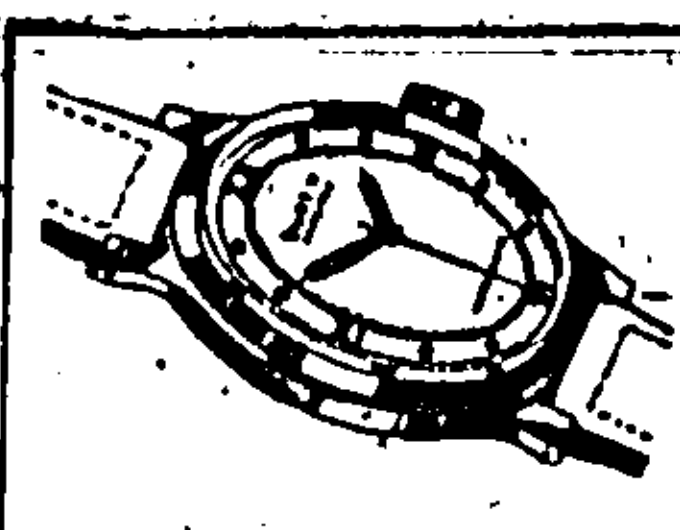
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## REMEDIAL ACTIONS FOR DEMOCRATIC JAPAN

### State Dept. Apology To News Agency

New York, May 2. — Mr. George Allan, the Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, at the State Department today publicly expressed regret to Reuters news agency for a reference he made to the organization in a speech before the American Society of Editors in Washington on April 15.

In an open letter to Reuters, Mr. Allan said that in reply to a question at the meeting, he asserted that the State Department's short-wave broadcast service, "The Voice of America," was hampered by not having available the news files of all the major news services.

"I pointed out that the only source available to the Voice of America from some world areas was Reuters and that on an occasion we had been delayed in broadcasting from such areas in our efforts to doublecheck the material," Mr. Allan said.

Multiple Sources  
Mr. Allan's remarks concerning Reuters may be construed as an apology on the reliability of the Reuters organization. Any aspect of the coverage of Reuters coverage was solely with that principle in mind.

Mr. Allan concluded: "I regret that my remarks have been misinterpreted and I would like at this time to testify again to the usefulness of Reuters service to our programme."

Mr. Walter A. Cole, the Managing Editor of Reuters, said that certain parts of Mr. Allan's speech could be construed as casting a reflection on Reuters' integrity and independence and were insulting to Reuters correspondents in all parts of the world whose reputation and reliability was beyond question.

An apology was therefore demanded from Mr. Allan, Reuters.

Washington, May 2. — Dr. Edward Ackerman of Harvard University, in a study of Japan made for the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said today that the only hope for a democratic future for Japan lies in remedial action taken to end the present poor conditions.

He explained that this action involved the development of a coordinated effective social, economic and land planning and effective scientific and technological research. It also means prompt effective action on planning decisions and scientific or technical developments.

He added, "More specifically it means 1. Increasing the rate of production or the rate of recovery in every resource. 2. Breeding, reforestation, Japanese agricultural lands, forests and fisheries. 3. Promoting more effective utilization of all materials and food. 4. Development by Japan of means to pay for necessary important supplements. 5. Seeking stabilization of the Japanese population at the earliest possible date."

Converting People  
Ackerman declared that "only if such a programme is pursued vigorously can we hope for the modest improvement of living which is reasonable to assume. Only then can we hope that democratic ideals will fall into a favourable environment."

Ackerman served as special consultant attached to the National Resources Section of SCAP and has just returned from a prolonged stay in Japan.

His report represented a condensation of a much more extensive report which will be submitted by the Army in the future.

Ackerman said, "Until now our post-war policy toward Japan has been directed at the conversion of the Japanese into a peaceful, unarmored group of people and at the destruction of their war potential."

None More Difficult  
Ackerman added, "Among these Allied occupation activities, none is more difficult or more important than the effort to make Japan economically self-sufficient. The hope of a democratic, peaceable Japan hinges, in a large part, on this economic restoration. But although progress has been made, Japan is not yet economically self-supporting. Furthermore, economic conditions in Japan are not those which will contribute to our objectives if continued indefinitely."

"That is especially true since some Japanese are becoming aware of the increasing strategic importance of the islands to the United States," United Press.

## League Soccer Season Ends

London, May 1. — Britain's 3,000 professional league soccer players hung up their boots today as the season ended, making way for the opening of the National summer sport of cricket.

## Arsenal's Rush Of Goals

London, May 1. — Arsenal, champions of the First Division of the English Football League, wound up the 1947-48 English season with a rush of goals against Grimsby Town who, with Blackburn Rovers, will play Second Division football in the new season starting on August 21.

Arsenal, in front of its smallest home crowd of the season, cracked in eight goals without reply from the demoralised Grimsby team. Blackpool, beaten in last Saturday's Cup Final, ran Arsenal close. They put on seven without reply from Preston North End. The centre-forward, Mackintosh, dropped from Blackpool's Cup Final team, scored five of them.

Manchester, champions of the Second Division, drew 0-0 with Tottenham and Newcastle, who were promoted to the upper circle with them, beat Millwall 1-0.

Millwall and Doncaster Rovers dropped from the Second Division to the Third. Their places next season will be filled by Queen's Park Rangers and Lincoln City.

Scottish League  
Rangers won the championship of the Third Division Southern Section and Lincoln City took Northern Section honours. They topped Rotherham on the post by defeating Hartlepool 5-0.

Wigan's marking and deadly tackling put Bradford right out of its stride. Associated Press.

British Hard Court Tennis  
Bournemouth, May 1. — Playing a total of 127 games in the British hard courts lawn tennis championships here today, Eric Sturgess, the South African champion, won three titles for the second year in succession at these championships.

In tennis spread over nearly nine hours, he won the men's singles title, the men's doubles title with R. Van Meergeran, of Holland, and the mixed doubles title with Miss Jean Quertier, of Britain.

In the men's singles final, Sturgess beat Tlozynski, of Poland, 6-2, 6-3, 6-1; in the men's doubles final he and Van Meergeran beat F. Kukulevic, former Yugoslav Davis Cup player, and J.S. Olliff, of Britain, 7-5, 6-0; and in the mixed doubles final, he and Miss Quertier beat J.R. Mansell and Miss E. Middleton, of Britain, 6-2, 7-5. — Reuters.

## International Cricket

## MILLER'S BRILLIANT 175 NOT OUT THRILLS CROWD

London, May 1. — Cold, showery weather cut deeply into cricket on Saturday except at Leicester where the Australians again demonstrated the power of their batting by running up 407 for the loss of 8 wickets against Leicestershire.

Keith Miller, with a brilliant not out 175, Don Bradman 81 and Sid Barnes 78, were the men chiefly responsible for the rapid and very attractive scoring.

Miller, whose big hitting thrilled the near 20,000 crowd, was missed twice before getting his hundred but Bradman played perfectly until making the bad stroke which cost him his wicket.

After the opening pair, Bill Brown and Barnes, but added on 40, Barnes and Miller added 111 for the second wicket in less than an hour and a half.

Trapped on a wicket affected by rain during the night, Yorkshire were dismissed for 111.

Young, the diminutive Middlesex left arm bowler, and Surrey's Jim Laker, with his off-breaks, ruined Yorkshire. Young took 5 for 23 and Laker 3 for 30.

MCC scored 53 for 2 before more heavy rain ended cricket in the mid-afternoon.

Oxford University entertained Gloucestershire and put together 240 before rain stopped play.

Sound and yet stylish batting by W.G. Keighley, 50, and A. Pavesley, Dark Blue skipper, 58, enabled Oxford to recover from a poor start.

Blank Day For Lancs  
Following these two the Indian Test batsman, A.H. Kardar, attacked the bowling in grand style. He drove out and pulled his way to 58 runs before being magnificently caught on a square leg boundary.

Lancashire, visiting Cambridge University, had a blank day. After early morning rain, a heavy thunderstorm during the luncheon interval ruled out any hope of cricket for the rest of the day. — Associated Press.

## Boxing Tourney Success

The sparkling display at the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium last night made the International Amateur Boxing Tourney a successful promotion.

The nine-bout card, promoted by the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and Lee's Gymnasium, was featured by two technical knockouts and a fine exhibition of ringcraft in the main event between L.V. Pulling (H.M.S. Tamar) and A.B. McMealin (H.M.S. Consort).

The curtain raiser, a three-rounder between Gussy Santos and "Kid Funchu" Cheung ended with the Portuguese winning.

Mr. H. J. Clarke refereed the games. Mr. Peter H. Sin distributed the prizes.

Judges were Lieut. (E) A.E. Bryant, Capt. R.W.B. Channing, Mr. W.B. Skerrie, Gunner (RN) and S.M.I. Easton. The time-keeper was Surg. Lieut. Bentley (RN).

Results: — Flyweight: Santos beat Cheung on points. Bantamweight: Ho beat Chan on points. Featherweight: Poon beat Correa by T.K.O. Welterweight: Coomber beat Ray on points. Bantamweight: Duffy beat Alan de Souza by T.K.O. Welterweight: Bland beat Robertson on points. Lightweight: Scollins beat Pedruco on points. Middleweight: Fowler beat Yeung on points. Middleweight: Pulling beat McMealin on points.

Philippine Bowlers Swamped  
In their first friendly game this season the Philippine Club bowlers were swamped by the Kowloon Cricket Club at Cox's Path yesterday.

Although the Filipino players might have been beaten in any case it was, nevertheless, a pity that some of the more experienced players were unable to turn out as they would have then given the K.C.C. a better run.

The best show was put up by Hughes, a ringer for the famous C. Rossello's victory down to eight shots. Ogley, on the other hand, received a terrific drubbing from Jack Orem.

Results: — K. C. C. 321, Philippine 104.

T. Lock, A. Hung, D. J. Kew, C. S. Labrum, Silva, Laidlaw, Taylor, Hughes.

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ANOTHER WIN FOR CHINA  
The China Football Team defeated the Manila Chinese Combined 8-0 tonight before 12,000 wildly cheering fans. The score at half time was six-nil.

Chau Man-chi, top scorer, netted three times. Acting Captain Lai Shui-wing and Ho Ying-hun each tallied twice and Kwok Ying-lau converted a penalty.

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